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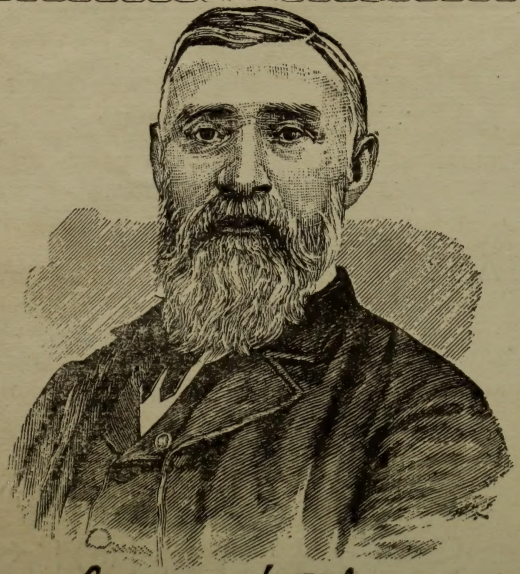

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PREFACE.

In presenting the following pages to the public, I have two objects in view: 1st,—To bring more prominently into notice the merits of the "Magic Healer" Salve, which is attracting attention at home and abroad; and 2nd:—To give in a condensed form the sketch of a checkered life, thereby explaining certain matters in the career of Ross's Weekly in connection with the "Tenant Union" movement, with results arising therefrom, also the introduction of the Prince Edward Island Railway, &c.

The thanks of the writer are hereby respectfully tendered to the ladies and gentlemen in various parts of the Island, and especially to Mrs. J. D. Mason, of this city, who kindly supplied files of Ross's Weekly, from which many extracts are taken for this publication.

Hoping that the reader may enjoy the perusal of the following reminiscences more than the writer did in experiencing its incidents, is the wish of

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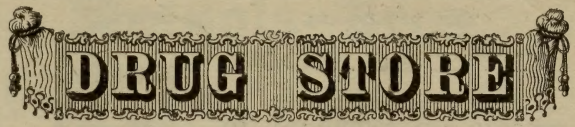

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A few years ago I made up my mind to write some reminiscences of my life, principally for my own amusement, and to keep in remembrance some incidents in my checkered career. Originally these sketches were not intended for the public eye, but on showing them to some friends, I yielded to their oft-expressed wishes, by having them published in their present form, as an advertising medium for our business men, and the now famous "MAGIC HEALER" Salve.

It is customary for an author in introducing himself to his readers to give place of birth, parentage, etc. Suffice it to say that I was born on the 29th of April, 1825, in the town of Beauly, Inverness-shire, Scotland.

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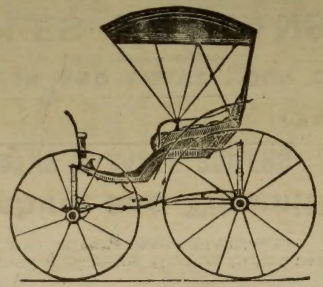
My schoolboy days were presided over by the village dominie, who, with the aid of a strong birchen rod, drove the a, b, abs, rule of three, and other scholastic studies, into the head of many a stupid, but play-loving youth. The "schoolhouse on the hill" where the first lessons were impressed upon my mind, with the sports and gambols of the boys on the green, are more vivid in my memory to-day, than many of the scenes of my more mature years, the great majority of which have faded away like mist in the morning sunbeams.

A circumstance occurred when I was very young that has never been obliterated from my memory, and which, I often think, was a precursor of many subsequent events of my life. At the school examination a prize was awarded to me in my class, but when the distribution took place, it was given to a



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favorite of the teacher, while my claim was totally ignored,and thus despoiled of my rights I was much chagrined, causing me great disappointment and many bitter tears.

One of my earliest recollections is that of being led by the hand of an old officer of the 42nd Highland Regiment, along the shore of Cromarty Bay, where the salt water from the ocean laved the pebbly beach on the one hand, and on the other arose the towering cliffs of the freestone quarries, where the celebrated Hugh Miller spent his first hours in the study of geology.

When I was about seven years of age, the reported wonders of the western world attracted the attention of my father, who, with many of his fellow countrymen, determined to emigrate to America. After a long and tedious voyage across the Atlantic in the good ship *Sylvanus*, he arrived in Pictou, N. S., when he finally settled in what is now the flourishing and enterprising town called New Glasgow. There I received a common English education, and having during the winter evenings the privilege of attending singing classes, I soon acquired a knowledge of the rudiments of vocal music, which, with a quick ear and tolerably fair voice, enabled me to take part at

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rehearsals for choir practice, etc. Having no mean opinion of my ability as a singer, I undertook to impart instruction in the principles of music among the youth in many of the rural districts of Pictou County.

I was married at the age of twenty-two, after the conventional period of courting, and assumed the duties of a householder. I found employment in the Works of the Albion Mining Association, where I remained until the approach of a dull season, when with a number of others I was discharged.

I might here state that when quite a youth I had the privilege of seeing the first locomotive that ever ran between the Albion Mines and New Glasgow. This Railway was built about the year 1837, and was the first line in British possessions on this side the Atlantic. There were three engines imported from Great Britain for the road, which were named respectively, Samson, Hercules, and John Buddle. The first named is still to be seen at the Albion Mines, in charge of Mr. George Davison, who came from the old country with her as engineer, and continues in that capacity until this day.

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which after a fair trial, proved as delusive as many similar reports of the present day. Becoming disheartened at my want of success in that country, I determined to retrace my steps homeward. I visited Prince Edward Island for the first time in 1849, crossing from Pictou in the steamer *Rose*, Captain Matheson, master. On the 12th of November, while standing on Pownal Wharf, I witnessed the lines of the brig *Fanny* cast off, as she started on her voyage to the shores of the golden regions of California. There are but few of those who left their homes with bright prospects on that occasion, now living. The only members of that company, known to the writer, now residing in this Province, are Messrs. Edward B Love, John H. Gates, Edward Moore, Duncan McGougan, John Orr, Stephen McCallum, and Charles Blatch, who still remain living representatives of that band of hardy and daring explorers.

I was recommended to visit the district of Covehead, where a singing class might be organized. In company with Mr. Charles Hughes, I called upon the late Rev. James Allen, who was pastor of that congregation. I was informed that nothing could be done at that time, but that I would probably secure one at St. Peter's Bay. Proceeding eastward,

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I formed an acquaintance with Mr. William Sterns, Captain Sanderson, and several of the inhabitants of that beautiful locality. Failing to procure the requisite number of pupils to form a class, I returned to Charlottetown, and in a few days took passage in the *Rose*, back to Nova Scotia.

In the autumn of 1850, the Rev. Dr. Murray, who was then pastor of the Cavendish Presbyterian congregation, invited me to come to the Island and open singing classes among his people. An evening was appointed to organize the school, where I made my *debut* before a large and intelligent audience. When about to enter upon the duties of the evening, my courage almost failed me, but realizing that failure now would be utter disgrace, I rose to the occasion, and at once began my subject, by presenting the elements of music on the blackboard, with such illustrations and explanations as appeared quite satisfactory. All diffidence was thrown aside, and like Alexander Selkirk's Robinson Crusoe, "stood monarch of all I surveyed." While teaching in Cavendish, I was comfortably domiciled with Mr. John Lockerby, who was one of the most intelligent and best informed men in that settlement. In a few weeks singing classes were formed in several of the adjoining

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districts, and my time was fully occupied in teaching the "young idea how to *shout*." All along the north shore large and interesting schools were organized, and from the enthusiasm manifested, I felt that my labors were duly appreciated. No greater kindness could be shown to any one, than I received at the hands of the people, for in every house I had a home. The late George McKay, Esq., of Clifton, New London, treated me as if I were his son, while the late James Beairsto, Esq., of Malpeque, who was one of the most warm-hearted men living, acted towards me like a father. It is impossible to enumerate the number of families, who, with kind and loving hearts, were always ready to extend to me a cordial welcome at their firesides.

During this time the Rev. Dr. Murray induced me to prepare a lecture on Temperance. I did so more for amusement than with the view of appearing in the *role* of a lecturer. After my compilation was completed, and approved of by the Rev. gentleman, he, without giving me any intimation, announced from the pulpit that on a certain evening of that week, a lecture would be delivered in the church by their music teacher. I positively refused to comply with the responsibility thus unexpectedly forced

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upon me, until the late Rev. Neil Bethune, who was sojourning there at the time, persuaded me to make the attempt, and gave me some valuable hints as to how to comport myself during the trying ordeal. His instructions I implicitly followed, and at the close of the lecture I was warmly complimented on the success of my first effort as a public speaker. I afterwards delivered this lecture seventeen times, using it as a medium to get the people together for the purpose of forming singing classes.

It was customary in those days to invite the singing master to the different houses in the neighborhood, instead of boarding in one particular place. On one occasion I was asked to partake of the hospitality of a gentleman who had a family of fine young daughters. They were Gaelic speaking people, and conversed with each other in their mother tongue. Not suspecting that I understood the language, the young ladies made me the subject of discussion, by such remarks as: "An saoil u' bheil e posdha?" * "Nach faic 'u na suilean dutha aige." † "Se' gille boigheach tha ann." ‡ "Bu gle

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mhath leam e ar son leannan," * Thinking the conversation had gone far enough, and not wishing any longer to sail under false colors, turning round I remarked in Gaelic : "Is fear dhuit e bhi shamach." † This so startled them, that in an instant they disappeared, and for several weeks I was unable to explain the nature of the mistake I had inadvertently committed.

For some years I followed the profession of a music teacher, forming classes in many parts of Prince and Queen's Counties. I resided with my family for some time in Malpeque, teaching in various settlements around Richmond Bay, returning home at the end of each week, to meet the choir of the Presbyterian Church, of which the late Rev. Dr. Kier, was pastor. Every Saturday evening the young people of the congregation met for practice in congregational singing, which extended for a term of about twelve months. During this period some of the young men of the district proposed giving me a benefit concert, which proved a great success. The following incident occurred, which caused considerable merriment. While a piece was being sung, I

* I would like him for a beau.
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appeared in the character of a drunkard, thereby disturbing the performance, when on hearing a call for police, I rushed down the hall, and sprang for protection into the arms of a tall and finely developed young lady, who on realizing the situation, jumped to her feet and flinging me upon my back on the floor, ran screaming from the hall. Of course I was overtaken and removed to a place of safety. I next appeared as a green young lad, with my bundle on a stick over my shoulder, seeking employment, and gazing around me with open mouth. When asked my name, I promptly replied, "Tonal MacTougal, from New Mondeck Road," and wanted to "bocht a sheeps," which gave such mortal offence to a young gent in the audience, that he stepped forward and threatened me with a sound thrashing for insulting his father, in giving his name, place of residence, and making fun of his broken English.

I spent a considerable time in Charlottetown, teaching both public and private classes. During this time I realized the want of a simple elementary work on music for beginners. I at once imported a font of music type from New York, which, together with a case of small pica, kindly loaned to me by the late Mr. George T. Haszard,

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enabled me to study the art of type setting, and at last I succeeded in placing a small book of instruction before my pupils, entitled the "Odicum."

Many a curious episode might be related did space permit, but I will give one which shows the goodness and kindness of heart found among the poorest and humblest of the people, in the new sections of the country, where the settlers were just breaking in the virgin soil among the stumps, and where the first primitive log houses were erected. At the close of a meeting held, nearly forty years ago, in the low roofed schoolhouse, to form a singing class, all departed for their homes except one man, who kindly enquired where I intended to pass the night. I answered that "as I know no one in this neighborhood, I will have to walk home." He said: "I have no accommodation for strangers, but if you'll come with me, I'll do the best I can." On taking me to his house, we found that the family had retired for the night, and I was put into a warm bed, from which I believe he removed his children. During the night there arose a terrific storm of thunder, lightning and rain. In the morning it was found that the fire could not be lighted for want of dry kindling. It happened that

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there was no bread for breakfast, when the good woman baked a cake and put it in the oven, but for want of a brisk fire it remained in dough. Some tea was prepared, but the milk was soured during the night by the lightning, and when put in the cup it formed a curdled mass. I could not swallow a mouthful and started to walk to town, a distance of fifteen miles. I had not tasted food since noon the previous day, and did not reach home until the middle of that day in a famishing condition. The good will of the family will always be held in grateful remembrance by me, and whenever I meet that man my heart warms towards him. I am glad to know that they are now enjoying the comforts and blessings of life, as a reward for their industry and hospitality to their fellow men, and trust they may always be blest with plenty and happiness.

On the 14th of June, 1853, I had the honor of being admitted into the mysteries of Free Masonry, in St. John's Lodge, of this city; and on August 21st, 1863, was exalted to the Royal Arch Degree in Capitular Masonry, since which time I have retained my membership, and hope to do so till the end of my life. My varied experiences in connection with Masonry while travelling, might be of some interest

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to the Craft, while to the general public it would be neither profitable nor instructive, hence the brevity of this reference.

A number of the lovers of music in Charlottetown organized a musical association, called the "Harmonic Society," of which I had the honor of being chosen leader. The late Hon. Judge Young, who was patron of the Society, kindly placed his beautiful grounds at our disposal, and erected a handsome pavilion, with comfortable seats, in which to practice one evening in each week, during the summer months. The first out-door performance took place on the evening of July 13th, 1859, with great *eclat.* Large crowds were attracted to the spot, and considerable interest was manifested by the public. This institution existed for several years, and much improvement in singing was the result, evidences of which remain to the present day.

One fine evening a number of my pupils were assembled on the flat roof of the Colonial Building, amusing themselves in singing, when a little round of four parts, called "Scotland is Burning," was struck up. The words were: "Scotland is burning, Scotland is burning; Look out, look out; Fire, fire, fire, fire; Pour on water; pour on water." The

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parts followed each other in consecutive order, making the words fire, fire, sound in loud ringing tones above the others. The evening being calm and clear, the words were distinctly heard all over the city. When the firemen heard the alarm they rushed for their respective fire engines, but on account of the elevation of the sound, they were unable to locate the fire, and for the moment were nonplussed, until some one suggested that it was only a party engaged in singing.

My next experience in type setting was in connection with a collection of Gaelic hymns, published by the late Rev. Donald McDonald, pastor of a large and widely extended body of people belonging to the Church of Scotland. As I understood the language, the late Mr. George T. Haszard engaged me to set up the type for this work, which under his instruction enabled me to acquire a thorough knowledge of the "art preservative of all arts."

During this period my mind constantly reverted to newspaper work, when I determined to attempt the publication of a small sheet, and as the plant of the *People's Journal*, belonging to the late Judge Young was for sale, I purchased the entire outfit and commenced operations.

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To two American gentlemen then resident here, Messrs. Frederick A. Flint and Parker Merrill, I was mainly indebted for such pecuniary assistance as I required in procuring printing paper, ink, etc., until the despised "WEEKLY" began to make itself known, and its influence felt from one end of the Province to the other. After a time it began to grow in public favor. The first continued tale published in

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The following complimentary notice from the *Colonial Times* was inserted in the issue of Sept. 7th, 1859 :—

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the people at large, but more especially among the friends of the American Union. Ross's WEEKLY was the only paper in the Colony that dared to stand up boldly for the cause of the North, against the almost universal "secesh" sentiment that prevailed at the time. So highly did the Americans residing among us, appreciate the attitude of the paper, that having occasion to visit the United States, J. H. Sherman, Esq., American Consul, placed the following document in my hands, which speaks for itself:—

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"TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,—

"The bearer, Mr. John Ross, is known to me as a gentleman of good standing in this community, and the newspaper of which he is proprietor and publisher, is the only one in this Island that does justice to the cause of our Union. I take pleasure in commending him to the kind attention of all loyal citizens of the United States.

"J. H. SHERMAN, U. S. Consul.

"Ch'town, May 30th, 1863."

In the spring of 1864, while Parliament was in session, the necessity of having the business of the House furnished each day in a condensed form, presented itself to my mind. I arranged with Mr. Archd. McNeill,—who was a ready writer, and well qualified to condense parliamentary speeches—to

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supply a daily summary of the doings of the House of Assembly. Every morning throughout the entire session, the proceedings of the previous day on printed slips, were laid before each member of both branches of the Legislature, which gave so much satisfaction, that at the opening of Parliament on the following year, Mr. McNeill was officially appointed summary reporter to the House.

The Caledonian Club of P. E. Island was organized on the 9th of May, 1864, when the following gentlemen were elected office bearers, viz :—

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On the 17th of August of that year, the first Gathering of the Clans was held on Government

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House grounds, a full account of which was given in ROSS'S WEEKLY of the 25th as follows :—

"At 10, a. m., the Caledonian Club and their pipers met at Masonic Hall, and here, by invitation, the President and other office bearers of the Irish Society, in full regalia, and with banners, joined the Caledonians, and at 11.30 the whole body, marshaled by William McGill, Esq., and under his able direction, moved to the wild music of the Highland pipes in harmonious order, with the banners of St. Andrew and St. Patrick floating gracefully side by side. The head of the procession having arrived at the principal entrance to Government House, the gates were thrown open and the entire body moved up the shady avenue, and when in front of Government House was halted by the Marshal and deployed into line. The distinguished Chief of the Club, His Excellency Lieut. Governor Dundas, here joined the President, when the Club with their St. Patrick guests, again formed in marching order. The firm battalion strode through the charming serpentine embowered walks of Government House to the picturesque and fine scenery selected and adorned for the coming struggle in the sports and games of ancient Caledonia. Some 4,000 persons were present on the

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occasion, and during all that time, and in all that multitude, perfect order prevailed. Among the harmonies of the Gathering, the fraternity of the Irish Society was a most pleasing feature."

The settlement of the Land Tenure had for many years been made the stalking horse for all political parties to ride into power, without any satisfactory result, and the time had arrived when the Tenants were determined to rise in their might and demand justice at the hands of the "powers that be." A spirit of dissatisfaction began to manifest itself in many sections of the country, in consequence of the manner in which the award of the Commissioners was laid aside by the Home Government. Discontented mutterings were heard throughout the length and breadth of the land. Meetings were held in several parts of the Island, and delegates were appointed to meet as a Central Committee in Charlottetown once a month, to devise ways and means for the settlement of the Land Question. The columns of Ross's WEEKLY were opened for the discussion of the subject, and to advocate the interests of the tenantry.

The following Pledge of the Tenant Union was adopted at a meeting of the Central Committee, and published in Ross's WEEKLY:—

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On May 12th, 1864, the following editorial appeared in ROSS'S WEEKLY :—

"We have been accused of inciting agitation in our beautiful little Island. We acknowledge the justice of the accusation, and hope that as long as our journal exists, to mildly but strenuously advocate whatever we believe to be right, and endeavor as far as possible to urge the amelioration of the condition of the tenantry of this Colony. With the exception of an interested and influential few, the whole body politic admit that the leasehold system is one great bar to the material prosperity of this Island.

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In the issue of May 26th, it says :—

"The anonymous writer in the *Protestant* of Saturday last, signing himself a 'Farmer,' accuses us of vacating the neutral ground we have heretofore stood upon, and leaping into the *political* arena. We deny the charge. The "WEEKLY" is not now, nor

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ever has been—we are proud to say—the organ or mouthpiece, or advocate of any political party or political faction. We have always claimed the right to advocate that which would tend to benefit the people of this fertile and nature-favored Island, not stopping to enquire whether it was a this party or that party measure.

"Numbers accused us of dipping into politics because we dared to support a measure which we believed would redound to the benefit of the tenantry. We were taunted with throwing the weight of our journal into the scale of the dominant party. Arguments, inuendoes and sneers, alike unheeded by us then, and shall we *now*, because we dare to denounce the Fifteen Years' Purchase Act, passed during the last session of the House, be intimidated by anything that anonymous writers or fawning editors say respecting our alleged abandonment of neutral principles and the adoption of political ideas? No! No man or men, shall swerve us from a course which we think is right. Proprietors or their parasites possess no power over us which will prevent us from agitating in favor of the oppressed Tenantry of Prince Edward Island. We have thrown down the gauntlet—pick it up who pleases.

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The following editorial announcement was made in Ross's WEEKLY on the 7th July, 1864:—

"Hitherto we have been neutral in *party* politics. Now, however, as we have entered upon a new phase in the history of the "WEEKLY," we here announce, that it is our intention to aid and support, so far as we shall consider right and just, that body or party which has arisen or shall arise, and whose object is or shall be, the overthrow or abolishment

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of the incubus—"the old man of the mountain"—which weighs so heavily upon and clings so tenaciously to this Island, and which is so sorrowfully known as the Leasehold System. If to support men and measures calculated to wipe away from our otherwise favored Island, the one great impediment to its prosperity, can be termed '*party* politics,' then those who wish, may 'count us in' to their heart's content.

"And we here repeat, that whatever body or party, or man or men, which or who, boldly adopts as its or their principal aim, the abolition of the Leasehold System of this Colony, shall have our aid and influence. We disclaim, however, having anything to do with either of the two parties known as Liberal and Conservative.

"We shall ever advocate the right of the Tenant to purchase his holdings at a moderate cost, but shall discountenance any attempt to deprive the Proprietor of his *just* right in the land. In the first place the Proprietor should be compelled to sell, when a fair price is proffered by the Tenant, and in the second place, the Tenant should be compelled to fulfil his stipulated agreement as to purchase. In addition to advocating the extinction of the

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The following complimentary notice from the *Protestant* was inserted in Ross's WEEKLY of July 14th, 1864 :—

"Our enterprising friend, Ross of the WEEKLY, has this week issued his sheet in an enlarged form. It is now the largest paper published in the Colony, but as a great part of his space is taken up with advertisements, we think that there is still as much general reading matter in the *Protestant*, and that of a *better* quality. We know that our friend Ross will take this kindly, particularly when we state that he deserves the highest credit for his enterprize and perseverance. About the alteration in his platform, from neutrality in politics, we are not prepared to say much at present. We think, however, when he took a political platform, he might as well have taken one with a broader and firmer basis."

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This short paragraph from Ross's WEEKLY of Sept. 22nd, speaks for itself :—

" An article in our last issue, condemning the Government for the manner in which the Reception, Ball and Banquet, etc., were conducted, drew down upon us the fiery indignation of some of the Government members and their toadies, which they vented by discontinuing Ross's WEEKLY. We should be happy to retain the names of the hon. gentlemen on our list, but rather than our mouth should be muzzled, we would sacrifice the business in toto. When we think proper to speak, we will do so fearlessly and independently, without asking the Government or " any other man."

On December 29th, 1864, appeared the following editorial in the columns of ROSS'S WEEKLY :—

"In his last issue, the editor of the *Examiner* attempts to twit the 'Tenant Leaguers,' as he pleases reproachfully to style them, by telling them that now

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is the time for them to push their claims, seeing the present Government is 'tottering to its fall.' Certainly the Tenant Union must be greatly obliged to our shrewd contemporary for his sage advice. But advice coming from such a source, they know how to appreciate; and the person who gives it, they shall perhaps know how to treat. The Tenant Unionists can afford to be sneered at. They have already become accustomed to his treatment by many of our public prints, however brief the period since their organization. Slowly, but no less surely, however, they have been moving on 'in the even tenor of their way.' Gradually have the numbers been swelling, till they now can boast of a membership of 11,000, composed of the bone and sinew of the country. A good work they have already accomplished, and they intend fearlessly to prosecute their commendable undertaking, utterly regardless either of the favors or frowns of editor or legislator. The editor of the *Examiner* may afford to ridicule the 'Leaguers' just now, but the day may not be far distant when he shall be but too willing to extend to them the right hand of fellowship, only to find his jibes and sneers hurled back upon himself. The Tenants of this Island have been long enough trampled under

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foot, and their best interests sacrificed, and they now feel that unless they arise in the majesty of their own strength to maintain and secure their rights, they shall seek help in vain from scheming politicians. We say to the members of the Tenant Union, though with very different feelings than those which prompted the editor of the *Examiner* to write as he did, that now is the time to push your claims. Assert your rights, maintain your unity, determine to be no longer 'hewers of wood and drawers of water,' and you shall in the end secure your object and accomplish your laudable work."

On St. Patrick's day, March 17th, 1865, a large number of the Tenant Union Association with their friends, met at Southport, where a monster procession was formed, and crossing the ice towards the city, marched up Queen Street. When opposite the office of Ross's WEEKLY, the Committee of Management entered, and conducted the writer to the official conveyance, where all the prominent members of the Central Committee were seated. On arriving at Apothecaries' Hall corner, an attempt was made by the deputy sheriff to remove Mr. Samuel Fletcher, of Vernon River, from the ranks, as he was one of the Tenants who was marked out by the Proprietory

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party to vent their malice upon, but the deputy was driven off, and the procession proceeded to promenade the principal streets and around the Province Building, after which the demonstration was quietly brought to a close, and the people returned to their respective homes.

In consequence of the failure on the part of the deputy sheriff to secure Mr. Fletcher, an order was at once issued to call out the "*Posse Comitatus*," numbering some two hundred strong, to proceed forthwith to the home of Mr. Fletcher, and have him arrested at all hazards, dead or alive.

On Friday morning, April 7th, a large body of the stalwart yeomanry of Queen's County, in answer to a summons of Her Majesty's officer, assembled at the office of the High Sheriff, John Morris, Esq, to receive instructions as to the mode of procedure. After all arrangements were completed, the order was given to advance, when the obedient "*Posse*" fell into line and marched to the Ferry Wharf, thence to Southport. The cavalry was under the command of Sheriff Morris, and the infantry under that of his deputy. About 10 o'clock all was ready, and on receiving the word of command to advance, the whole cavalcade moved forward, when that grand

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Having had an invitation to become one of the Government brigade, I preferred being among the rank and file, and of course fell into line. The cavalry were soon out of sight, galloping with apparent haste to the scene of action, while the footmen loitered along at an easy pace. After marching about half an hour, some wag called "halt for a drink," which was promptly obeyed, and every man in loyal British style drew forth his canteen, and wished a speedy end to the novel undertaking. It is not

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necessary to detail the number of halts made, or on what pretexts, but on the summit of Tea Hill, at twelve o'clock noon, the welcome order to "halt for dinner," gladdened every heart. Our knapsacks were soon opened, and being in Government employ, we faithfully for one full hour discharged the duty of thoroughly replenishing the inner man, at our own cost and charges, for the arduous and dreary march. While sitting there, we were entranced with the beautiful view of Hillsborough Bay and its lovely islands, admiring the homes of the "bleeding tenantry" in the distance, and enjoying the health-giving breezes wafted over the hillside from the waters of the briny deep. How reluctant we were to leave the bank upon which we reclined, but duty before pleasure being our motto, at the command "forward" we were all alert. At various points along the route there were objects of so much attraction, that it was with difficulty that our commander could lure us along. Arriving at Pownal Village, a short respite was granted, when some of our company harangued the inhabitants from the top of an old cart body, on the "burning question" of the day. After refreshments were partaken of, we resumed our journey. In the meantime the cavalry were far in advance, and on

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arriving at Vernon River, drove in hot haste along the Georgetown Road, until they were confronted by Fort Fletcher, which was erected near Weatherbie's forge, on the brow of the hill, bristling with cannon, ready to open fire upon the coming foe. On seeing the open mouthed cannon, apparently manned by a large number of determined men, the approaching troop were struck with terror at this demonstration of mortal combat. Immediately a halt was called, and a flag of truce sent forward, when it was discovered that the fort consisted of a number of stovepipes stuck through a board, and manned by a number of hats placed on poles behind them. On proceeding to Fletcher's house, a man was seen quietly seated in an arm chair. At once a desperate rush was made by the resolute veterans, when they succeeded in capturing a "Man of Straw!" and the trophy was borne off in triumph. We, on reaching Bourke's mills, discovered in the distance our warlike cavalry rapidly approaching, bespattered with mud from head to foot. An herculean member of that intrepid corps (?) holding aloft the object of our solicitude, was greeted with three rousing cheers for his successful efforts in capturing that terrible violator of the public peace, Sam Fletcher!!! When

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the two companies met, we were astounded to discover that the zealous (?) cavalry had only succeeded in capturing a "Straw Man," and our mission was thus ingloriously brought to a close. By order of the High Sheriff of Queen's County, we were discharged from further duty in connection with the arrest and capture of the "Straw Man." Thus ended one of the most stupendous farces ever perpetrated in any civilized community.

About this time despatches were forwarded by the Government to the Colonial Office, London, informing the Home authorities that the Island of Prince Edward was in a state of insurrection, and that troops must be sent forthwith to quell the rebellion and overawe the refractory Tenantry. The Minister of War was evidently startled, as orders were immediately issued for the embarkation of an armed force, who were hurried to their destination as quickly as wind and steam could convey them. On the 6th of August, a company of red coats arrived, who marched up Queen Street, armed to the teeth, evidently expecting every moment to meet a deadly assault from some unseen enemy. They, however, advanced without interruption, until they arrived at a field in the vicinity of Spring Park, where tents were pitched,

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was destroyed by fire. The paper had had an existence of seven years, during which time it was enlarged twice, first: July 2nd, 1860; second, July 7th, 1864, with a steadily increasing circulation in all the Provinces and throughout the United States, winning its way among all classes. It was read by rich and poor, learned and unlearned, but especially by the young. It never pandered to the depraved taste of the licentious, nor sought to cloak the transgressions of those in high places. Great care was exercised in selecting such reading matter as would instruct and elevate the mind, as well as contribute to the enjoyment of the lovers of fun. Wit and humor, poetry and choice tales, were among the features that made its columns most attractive, and judging from the favor into which it was rapidly growing, was destined to have a prosperous career, and from being the despised "8 x 10" at its birth, became, previous to the great fire, the largest and most influential newspaper then published in Prince Edward Island, loved by the tenantry, hated by the proprietors, feared by evil doers, and respected at home and abroad. It was fearless and independent, uncontrolled by money influence, and untrammeled by clique or party. Its circulation was sufficiently

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large and its advertising patronage ample enough for all pecuniary requirements, having at the time of the fire, a power press, steam engine, and such material as is usually found in a first-class printing office, all of which was consumed by fire on the morning of July 15th, and thus the efforts of the prime of my life vanished in a cloud of smoke. As trouble seldom comes alone, my only boy, who was nearly seven years of age, died two days after the fire, from a relapse of scarlet fever, which, with the loss of my property, and the desertion of my supposed political friends, for a time nearly prostrated all my energies, but enough Scotch pluck remained to enable me to throw off the effect of all the disasters that overtook me, and again I entered into active life.

After the fire, an attempt to resuscitate Ross's WEEKLY proved a failure, in consequence of the animosity excited against the paper in the minds of the proprietary party and their friends, together with the utter indifference and ingratitude of those who had secured political power through the Tenant Union agitation, an institution that never would have assumed such gigantic proportions were it not for its advocacy in the columns of Ross's WEEKLY.

In 1867, a general election took place, when

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several Tenant Union representatives were returned to Parliament, who, with the Liberals, formed a coalition Government. And now, as the friends of Ross's WEEKLY held the reins of power, the time was supposed to have arrived when the representatives elected through the influence of the Tenant Union, should show their appreciation of the efforts of one, who for advocating the cause of the Tenantry, was proclaimed a rebel, persecuted by the Proprietary party, and who had also lost his entire business by fire. But they proved recreant to the high principles of honor and fair play, by ignoring all his claims upon them.

When the distribution of offices came before the new Government, the office of Queen's Printer was awarded to the late Hon. Edward Whelan, a staunch Liberal, but who strenuously opposed the Tenant Union movement throughout the whole campaign, while I received that remuneration, too often rendered by unprincipled politicians to the man who had raised them to place and power. They allowed me to chew the cud of bitter disappointment, thereby verifying the lines of the poet, that

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The Government believing that the members who accepted office would be returned without opposition, called the House together on the day immediately following the partial elections, and as the late Hon. George Coles was to be leader of the Government, it was of much importance that he should be in his seat at the opening of the Legislature.

The district of Fort Augustus being one of the strongholds of the Tenant Union party, I determined to oppose Mr. Coles, and thereby test the integrity of the electors on their avowed principles on the Land Question, and was therefore nominated as a candidate for their suffrages. On the day of election the Tenant Union men, forgetting their loud protestations against all who would not co-operate with them in the Tenant League agitation, came forward to the polls and gave Mr. Coles 851 votes, while I received but 25! thus proving the insincerity and want of sympathy of those tenants for one, who sacrificed himself in fighting for their emancipation from the Proprietary yoke.

In opposing Mr. Coles, I wished to test the honesty of the principles of the Tenant Union politicians, and also to show that I could prevent the leader of the Government from taking his seat until

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officially declared member elect by the sheriff. The motive that actuated me may not be considered by some as the highest one, yet the conduct of a Government, who were mainly indebted to Ross's WEEKLY for placing them in power, and who acted in so dishonorable and ungrateful a manner as to cast aside all recognition of past services, could expect nothing else.

In 1868, the NORTH STAR newspaper was started, and after existing about a year and a half, the entire business was sold to Mr. J. H. Fletcher, who com menced the publication of the *Island Argus.*

The large and populous section of P. E. Island, comprising King's County, appeared ready for a paper of its own. In 1870 I started the EASTERN ADVOCATE in Georgetown, when the interests of the County in general, and Georgetown in particular, were the principal objects in view. In October of that year, the first announcement of a proposed Railway was given in its columns, with the prophetic statement that "within five years the iron horse would be heard snorting through the valleys of that locality." The EASTERN ADVOCATE became the ardent supporter of that important project, and through good and evil report, its columns teemed

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with arguments in favor of the great undertaking. When the general election was held to test the question at the polls, two representatives were returned from Georgetown to support the measure, but after a short time overtures were made by the Opposition, and such strong inducements held out to these representatives, that they left the party and went over to the anti-railway men. Indignation was felt by the constituency, and on another election taking place, two staunch supporters of the Railway policy were sent to Parliament. The effect of the independent stand taken by the paper in the contest, was the withdrawal of all the subscribers on its list who were opposed to the Railway movement, until the circulation was so reduced that the days of the EASTERN ADVOCATE were numbered, and I was compelled to close my literary career in Georgetown. Notwithstanding the disastrous results to my business, in consequence of the part I took in the Railway agitation, I feel proud to know, that through my assistance to this enterprize, the undertaking has been successfully carried to completion. The advantages to the public at large are so self-evident, that to-day, many who were bitterly opposed to me at that time for the course I pursued, award me the credit of being one

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revered by all political parties, was the *only* politician who showed his appreciation of the manner in which the EASTERN ADVOCATE espoused the cause of the Railway. On the suspension of the paper in Georgetown, he secured for me the position of Locker in the Customs Department. After the Island went into Confederation, Mr. Pope had me appointed Chief Landing Waiter, which position I held until the change of Government took place in 1873, when a nominee of the party was placed over my head without any reason being given. I then resigned.

Among some further efforts in the newspaper line, was the issuing of the LITERARY ECHO, with every prospect of success, but in an unguarded moment I became associated with a person who was too crafty and wide awake for me, so that I lost my share in the undertaking, and the "ECHO" became only an echo, by falling to the earth almost stillborn.

Some time afterward a company was formed, and the PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TIMES started, under apparently favorable auspices. It promised well, and for several months it took a prominent position among the publications of the day. Through an unforeseen circumstance affecting one of the members, the company was dissolved, which caused a

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suspension of the paper. I removed the plant to Souris in 1876, where the "Times" was issued in a greatly reduced form. The patronage required to sustain a paper in that locality was limited, and after struggling to eke out an existence for about a year and a half, came to an untimely end.

In 1878, the late Mr. Walter Burke, general agent of the New York Life Insurance Company, for the Dominion, offered me great inducements to become a canvassing agent in his company. I proceeded to Montreal to undergo a course of training for the business. After being in his employ for some months, Mr. Burke died, and as my best friend was removed by death, I left the office and returned home.

The next move on the checker board of life was entering into an engagement with the Rev. J. A. Fallgather, to go to Kansas and assist him in issuing a newspaper. During the trip West, there were two objects that impressed my mind with their grandeur and immensity. The first was the Horse Shoe Bend, on the Alleghany Mountains. As our train approached the eastern end of the Bend, the early morning sun cast her glittering rays across the chasm, on the opposite rocks, with golden splendor,

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as we ran apparently along the edge of the cliff, on one side a yawning gulf, on the other rose towering mountains, while in mid-air we hung upon a simple railway track, where the slighest mishap would have hurled us into eternity. In the distance we observed another train approaching with fearful rapidity, which suggested the possibility of our being run into. In a few seconds a *whish* was heard, and it rushed past us on its eastern journey. On arriving at the western end of the Bend, and looking back at the grandeur and sublimity of the scene, we were filled with astonishment and awe.

At St Louis we crossed the Mississippi river, passing through the State of Missouri. Early in the afternoon we entered the immense corn fields of that State, and as we bowled along at the rate of twenty-five or thirty miles an hour, expected soon to pass through them, but to our surprise when the shades of evening fell around us, we were still in the corn-field. On opening our eyes next morning we found ourselves "among de corn," and for the rest of the day we ran through similar fields, until we almost imagined that nothing but corn was cultivated in this part of the world. After leaving Kansas City, we entered upon what is called the "Golden Belt" of

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Kansas, the great wheat growing portion of that State, and continued our route for 170 miles to Abeline, passing over a level prairie waving with golden grain on either side of the railway track, as far as the eye could reach, in every direction.

On arriving at the town of Abeline, where Mr. Fallgather proposed establishing the business, it was found that the necessary funds to prosecute the enterprise were not forthcoming, and the brightly portrayed picture of a home in the West, suddenly lost its lustre, and I was thrown upon my own resources. I remained for some time in this locality before I decided to return home. On one occasion I was invited to dine with some friends who were of the Baptist persuasion. In the course of conversation I was asked to what denomination I belonged. I jokingly replied, "to the black-mouthed Presbyterians." Evidently the phrase was new to them, and an explanation was requested, when I informed them that my forefathers were Covenanters, who were true-blue-dyed-in-the-wool Presbyterians, and were known as such the world over. The term "black-mouth Presbyterian," was sneeringly applied to that large and influential body by one of our politicians during a political contest, and is still used as a term of ironical contempt.

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During my stay in Kansas, I was unfavorably impressed with the very unsatisfactory condition of existence there, where danger and disaster were threatened from several sources. The contrast of that western country with the eastern sections, raised the little Island of Prince Edward very much in my estimation. For in the West the devastating "cyclone" bursts upon the country in terrific force, demolishing towns and spreading death and desolation wherever it strikes; filling the mind with terror and such a sense of insecurity to life, that a desire to return to "home, sweet home," took possession of my soul. Then the "hot blast" which passes over the land, parching all before it, together with the armies of "potato bugs" that infest the soil, the clouds of "locusts" that are seen hovering over the earth, and the frequent floods inundating the whole country, thus making a home in the West anything but a desirable one, at once determined me to retrace my steps. I returned by way of Chicago, where I met several friends and acquaintances from P. E. Island. After spending a few days in that remarkable city, I took train for Boston by way of the Hoosac tunnel. On arriving in Boston I visited some friends and relatives, and passed several days

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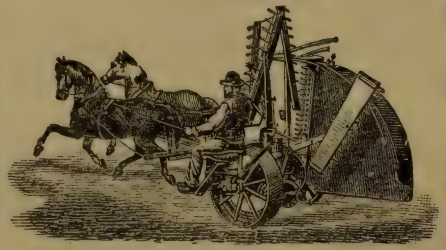

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in their society. I then embarked on board of one of the steamers plying between Boston and the Maritime Provinces. Arriving at Halifax, I took train for Truro, N. S., and entered the office of the *Colchester Sun*, published by Mr. W. B. Alley, a native of P. E. Island.

In 1880, I became associated with the Rev. Jas. Christie, in the publication of the ANGLO ISRAEL ENSIGN, a journal devoted to the identification of the British nation with the Lost Ten Tribes of Israel. Mr. Christie was unquestionably the best-informed man on this subject, of any in the Provinces. His ready pen and fertile brain made him more than a match for any opponent, and were it not for the financial difficulties that arose in connection with the paper, and his removal to the Mother country, the ANGLO-ISRAEL ENSIGN would to-day be a great power for good. After issuing a few numbers, it had to succumb to the fate of many similar undertakings.

It may be interesting to some readers to know the names and number of publications issued by me while connected with literary work. During the days of ROSS'S WEEKLY, the SEMI-WEEKLY ADVERTISER, the LITTLE JOKER and the MARKET

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REPORTER, were brought into being. Then followed a resumption of ROSS'S WEEKLY after the fire, for a few months. Afterwards the NORTH STAR, then the EASTERN ADVOCATE in Georgetown, with a children's paper called the FIRESIDE. Again, the LITERARY ECHO and PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TIMES in Charlottetown. Immediately following was the TIMES in Souris, and last though not least, the ANGLO-ISRAEL ENSIGN, in Truro, N. S. After returning to P. E. Island, nothing further was attempted of a literary character until I took charge of the *Plaindealer*, in New Glasgow, N. S. Some months subsequently circumstances arose which caused me to withdraw from that office.

A short account of the "Magic Healer" Salve, may not be out of place here, especially as to it the issuing of this pamphlet is mainly due.

About twenty-five years ago, one of my children was severely scalded by boiling water, which accident was promptly attended to, and the usual remedies applied. The wound healed, excepting a spot on the instep, which resisted everything that was tried. One day an elderly gentleman, now dead, of much skill and experience, called in, and on examining the wound, directed my wife to get certain ingredients

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and make a salve, and he would guarantee that the sore would be cured in a few days. She at once acted upon the suggestion, made the article, and applied that which is now familiarly known as

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which in less than three days effected a perfect cure. The recipe lay dormant, except for family use, from that time until in 1884, at New Glasgow, N. S., where a severe case of burned hands brought its merits into public notice, as the following testimonial will show :—

NEW GLASGOW, N. S., 1884.

MRS. ROSS.—I wish to thank you for the box of "Magic Healer" Salve you sent me when my child's hands were so badly burned on the stove. I applied it at once, and was surprised to find that in less than a week the wounds were completely healed. I have much pleasure in testifying to the healing virtue of your Salve, and would cheerfully recommend it to all who suffer from burns, etc.

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MRS. J. ROSS.—A friend of mine who knew that I had been troubled for many years with sore hands, sent me a box of the "Magic Healer" Salve, and I assure you it proved more than I expected, for in the course of two or three days my hands were perfectly well, and the skin soft and pliable. I feel grateful that at last after trying so many cures, I got something that I can depend upon, and can confidently recommend it to my friends.

I am gratefully yours,
DONALD ROSS.

ANTIGONISH, N. S., 1884.

MRS. ROSS.—I am happy to have the opportunity of sending this testimonial on the merits of the "Magic Healer" Salve. I have been troubled for some years past with Chapped Hands during the winter season, and found very little benefit from the remedies in common use. Your Salve after a few applications gave me more relief than I have had from anything else, and I am convinced that it is all it claims to be.

I therefore most heartily add my testimony as to its virtues, and recommend it to those who have the misfortune of suffering from cracked or chapped hands. With thanks for your valuable remedy,

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ANTIGONISH, N. S., 1884.

DEAR MRS. ROSS.—It affords me great pleasure to send you my testimony in reference to the good qualities of the "Magic Healer" Salve. I have been afflicted with a sore leg for some years, the greater portion of the time it has been open and painful. About two months ago a box of your Salve was sent me, which gave great relief. Since then I have had more ease than I enjoyed for a long time.

I would earnestly recommend it to all who are troubled with skin sores, and advise the afflicted to give it a trial. Thanking you for the relief I received through your means,

I remain respectfully yours,

MRS. ANGUS MACPHERSON.

On returning to Charlottetown, I began placing it in the stores of both town and country, without putting forth any special effort to give it through the newspapers the publicity it deserved, until in 1885, I published an edition of 10,000 copies of a small pamphlet, entitled the "Magic Healer Scrap Book," which was distributed gratuitously among the people. During the following summer, an advertising circular of 25,000 copies had been scattered broadcast from one end of the Island to the other. The next year an issue of 10,000 copies of a fly sheet, containing testimonials from doctors, druggists, and prominent persons in all the walks of life, was circulated in

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A few years ago, having had occasion to visit Summerside, the editor of one of the papers there, who was a particular friend of mine, inserted the following complimentary local in his columns: "We were very much pleased to-day in having our sanctum invaded by our genial old friend of Tenant League fame, John Ross, Esq., Q. D., and now of "Magic Healer" Salve notoriety, who is here in the interests of his excellent preparation." During the evening, while in company with several gentlemen, I was asked the meaning of the initials Q. D. Assuming a consequential air, and striking an attitude, I replied: "Gentlemen, all great men have titles, and by such are duly recognized; there on my right stands Dr. Darrach, M. D., a Medical Doctor, and here is John Ross, Q. D., the Quack Doctor!" The explanation was received with applause, and pronounced perfectly satisfactory.

The old adage, that "there is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune," had not in my experience been realized during the days of Ross's WEEKLY, but the marked success attending the sale of the "Magic Healer" Salve since

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its introduction, has stimulated me to greater efforts to verify the above quoted truism. Since this Salve has been fairly put on the market, it has grown in public favor, meeting the approval of all classes and conditions of men, and from the satisfactory progress already made, I am induced to bring it more prominently before the public, by issuing 5,000 copies of this little work. The principal object I have in giving this sketch of my life, is as a means through which to spread a knowledge of the merits of the "Magic Healer" Salve more generally among the people at home and abroad, for within its pages will be found testimonials from medical men, editors, clergymen, druggists, merchants, horse dealers and leading citizens. It is highly recommended for wounds on animals, as well as on the human body. It will stand the test for all injuries from external causes, and is second to none in its cleansing and curative qualities.

The following testimonials from prominent gentlemen in town and country have been obtained, which are here appended :—

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CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.,
May 2nd, 1891.

I hereby certify that Ross's "Magic Healer" Salve, has been used very extensively in this Province, and that its sale is steadily increasing—a fact not to be wondered at, seeing that the Salve is such an excellent one for all external wounds and sores.

JAMES MACLEOD, M. D.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MANSE,
Summerside, P. E. I.,
May 6th, 1891.

I was troubled with inflammation of the eyelids, accompanied at times with a slight twitching, due, I suppose, to late study. Different kinds of eye-water and other remedies were tried, but without doing much good. Early in December last, however, I was induced by a lady in my congregation to try Ross's "Magic Healer," and the result was most satisfactory. A few applications before retiring at night sufficed to remove the trouble completely. I cheerfully recommend it to all similarly afflicted.

(REV.) HENRY DICKIE, B. A.,
Pastor of the Presby. Church.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.,
May 8th, 1891.

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W. L. COTTON,
Editor of *The Examiner*.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.,
April 27th, 1891.

This certifies that I have been acquainted with Mr. John Ross for upwards of twenty-five years, and can cheerfully testify to his uprightness in all his business transactions. His "Magic Healer" Salve is a preparation which is all it claims to be, and has the largest sale of anything of its kind in Canada. I confidently recommend it to my customers, after having sold it for a number of years.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.

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C. D. RANKIN,
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CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.,
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CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.,
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PERKINS & STERNS.

HOTEL DAVIES,
Charlottetown, April 28th, 1891.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, April 28th, 1891.

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"MAGIC HEALER" SALVE CO.,

GENTLEMEN.—I have used your "Magic Healer" Salve in my family, and consider it an indispensable article in every household, and would recommend it in preference to anything of a similar kind in the market.

JOHN COOMBS.

Charlottetown, May, 1892.

If the perusal of the foregoing reminiscences will be the means of extending the fame of the "Magic Healer" Salve throughout the Dominion of Canada, the main object of the author will be accomplished, and from the success already achieved, I trust that instead of "spending the summer months at Long

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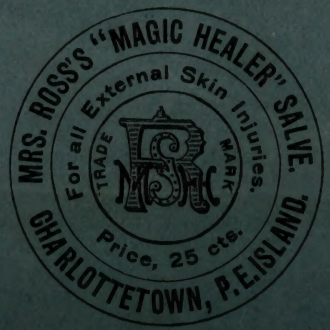

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